



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Shigeo Shibatani, *et al.*  
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For: PLANTS PRODUCING HYALURONIC ACID  
Group: 1638 Confirmation No: 9830  
Examiner: Brendan O. Baggot

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND  
RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND ADVISORY ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 6, 2007 and Advisory Action dated December 11, 2007, Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension, and request continued examination and that the Office Action be reconsidered in light of the remarks set forth below.

**Remarks** begin on page 2.